

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday May 18, 2007 - 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	129 (Light)
New large fires:	3 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires:	17
Area Command Teams committed:	1
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3
Fire Use Teams committed:	

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

Southern Area (PL 5)

New fires:	45
New large fires:	3
Uncontained large fires:	13
Area Command Teams committed:	1
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Area Command Team (Rounsaville) assigned to assist with creating a strategic plan for suppression action in Florida.

Florida Bugaboo, National Forests in Florida. Unified Command between IMT 1 (Quesinberry) and Florida DOF (Greene). NIMO (Ferguson). Baker County, FL. Southern rough. Extreme fire behavior with torching and spotting. Numerous structures in several communities remain threatened.

Bugaboo Scrub, Okefenokee NWR. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Ruggiero) to IMT 1 (Oltrogge). IMT also managing the Big Turnaround fire. Sixteen miles west of Folkston, GA. Southern rough and timber. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures and a state park remain threatened.

Bugaboo Scrub 2, Georgia Forestry Commission. IMT 2 (Hannemann). IMT also managing the Sweat Farm Road, Roundabout Swamp and Kneeknocker Swamp fires. Started on private land five miles east of Fargo, GA. Southern rough and timber. Moderate fire activity with single and group tree torching and short range spotting. Numerous structures remain threatened.

Big Turnaround Complex (two fires), Okefenokee NWR. Ten miles southeast of Waycross, GA. Southern rough and timber. Running fire. A community, refuge facilities, railroad infrastructure and microwave installation threatened.

BICY Complex (five fires), Big Cypress National Preserve. IMT 1 (Stanich). Fifty-one miles west of Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Southern rough. Increased fire activity. One community, isolated structures and petroleum equipment remain threatened.

Dairy Road, Florida DOF. Seven miles northwest of Keystone Heights, FL. Southern rough. Numerous residences remain threatened. Numerous spot fires occurring.

Sweat Farm Road, Georgia Forestry Commission. Started on private land 10 miles west of Waycross, GA. Southern rough and timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures, a state forest and refuge remain threatened.

Roundabout Swamp, Georgia Forestry Commission. Started on private land four miles west of Pearson, GA. Southern rough and timber. Minimal fire activity. Communities of Kirkland and Pearson are threatened.

Knee Knocker Swamp, Georgia Forestry Commission. One mile northwest of Nahunta, GA. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity. Numerous structures remain threatened.

Deland Complex (three fires), Florida DOF. IMT 2 (Utley). Southern rough. Smoldering fire.

Half Moon, Timucuan Ecological & Historic Preserve, NPS. Five miles south of Yulee, FL. Southern rough. Creeping fire. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Callaway Height, Florida DOF. Eight miles northeast of Callaway, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

Oompa, Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge. Twenty-five miles east of Naples, FL. Grass. Creeping fire. No further information received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Florida Bugaboo	FL	FNF	120,515	70	UNK	534	8	53	9	0	3.1M	FS
Bugaboo Scrub	GA	OKR	156,455	40	UNK	NR	0	0	0	2	NR	FWS
Bugaboo Scrub 2	GA	GAS	3,768	50	UNK	109	0	22	0	0	NR	ST
Big Turnaround Complex	GA	OKR	105,418	45	UNK	541	5	54	9	1	11.5M	FWS
BICY Complex	FL	BCP	18,800	40	UNK	223	4	5	3	0	763K	NPS
Dairy Road	FL	FLS	15,000	80	5/18	79	0	17	2	0	2.0M	ST
Sweat Farm Road	GA	GAS	46,264	82	5/31	198	4	37	3	23	13.5M	PRI
Roundabout Swamp	GA	GAS	5,827	95	6/1	170	4	17	0	0	815K	PRI
Knee Knocker Swamp	GA	GAS	1,367	95	UNK	113	0	5	0	10	2.1M	ST
Deland Complex	FL	FLS	10,025	85	5/22	111	0	19	0	0	2M	ST
Half Moon	FL	TIP	420	85	5/18	5	0	2	0	0	NR	NPS
Callaway Height	FL	FLS	322	70	5/19	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Oompa	FL	FPR	155	95	5/19	7	0	1	1	0	30K	FWS
* Eagles	FL	FLS	335	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Coptic	FL	EVP	326	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	3.5K	NPS
Smoking Monkey	FL	MIR	298	100	---	7	0	0	0	0	NR	FWS

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* Key Mill	AL	ALF	248	100	---	5	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

EVP – Everglades NP

MIR - Merritt Island NWR

ALF – National Forests in Alabama

Eastern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 17
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 3
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Ham Lake, Superior NF. IMT 1 (Broyles). Canadian IMT is managing the portion of the fire within Canada. Forty-nine miles northeast of Grand Marais, MN. Timber and dead and down fuels. Minimal fire activity. Structures, power and telephone infrastructure remain threatened.

Warren Grove, New Jersey Forest Fire Service. Twenty-five miles north of Atlantic City, NJ. Hardwood litter and timber. Creeping and smoldering. Evacuations and road closures lifted.

Correction Corner, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Four miles south of Williams, MN. Grass and timber. Smoldering fire. No new information.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Ham Lake	MN	SUF	36,443	75	5/20	693	16	29	5	133	8.1M	FS
Warren Grove	NJ	NJS	17,270	70	5/18	20	0	7	1	3	NR	ST
Correction Corner	MN	MNS	182	98	5/18	2	0	0	0	0	37K	ST

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Promontory, Tonto NF. IMT 2 (Sciacca). Eighteen miles east of Payson, AZ. Timber. Running and backing fire. Residences and commercial property threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Promontory	AZ	TNF	2,667	40	5/22	667	19	17	5	0	1.5M	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 10
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 0
NIMOs committed: 1

Greensburg – FEMA Assist, Federal Emergency Management Agency. NIMO (Gelobter). Greensburg, KS. Tornado disaster support.

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Greensburg – FEMA Assist	KS	FEM	38,400	N/A	N/A	51	0	0	0	961	748K	CNTY

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry, windy weather is on tap for Northern Florida and southern Georgia today. Winds will diminish Saturday but low humidity will persist through the weekend. Arizona should see scattered thunderstorms today with activity decreasing over the weekend. Some of the thunderstorms will produce dry lightning. Northern Minnesota can expect warm and windy weather today before rain arrives tonight and continues over the weekend.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

Radio Narrowbanding

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies are under a congressional mandate to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrowbanded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrowbanded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.radios.nifc.gov
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1		1		7		9
	ACRES	2		3		4		9
Northwest	FIRES		1	1			1	3
	ACRES		0	1			0	1
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					18	2	20
	ACRES					47	1	48
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			2	1	6
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1	1			2	14	18
	ACRES	0	0			16	32	48
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		4			2	4	10
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	4				13		17
	ACRES	1				86		87
Southern Area	FIRES					40	5	45
	ACRES					509	72	581
TOTAL	FIRES	7	9	2	0	84	27	129
	ACRES	4	0	4	0	662	105	775

Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1		1	1	97	1	101
	ACRES	2		3	0	1,951	0	1,956
Northwest	FIRES	36	17	1		49	44	147
	ACRES	247	130	1		833	104	1,315
Northern California	FIRES	1	2		6	9	70	88
	ACRES	0	156		2	2,404	255	2,817
Southern California	FIRES	1	11	2	2	1,091	109	1,216
	ACRES	0	1,242	1	1,990	6,197	1,802	11,232
Northern Rockies	FIRES	516	1	11		163	22	713
	ACRES	8,398	0	332		6,849	22	15,601
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	26		1	48	8	85
	ACRES	9	511		0	1,251	3	1,774
Western Great Basin	FIRES		29	1		24	9	63
	ACRES		2,551	38		572	276	3,437
Southwest	FIRES	236	42	4	21	373	208	884
	ACRES	647	1,170	302	584	23,995	8,178	34,876
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	180	28	5	1	96	40	350
	ACRES	651	11	457	0	8,921	61	10,101
Eastern Area	FIRES	391		57	14	5,340	281	6,083
	ACRES	8,354		739	432	92,008	38,470	140,003
Southern Area	FIRES	247		75	19	21,437	582	22,360
	ACRES	13,646		198,236	4,119	422,898	33,032	671,931
TOTAL	FIRES	1,611	156	157	65	28,727	1,374	32,090
	ACRES	31,954	5,771	200,109	7,127	567,879	82,203	895,043

Ten Year Average Fires	29,467
Ten Year Average Acres	763,616

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	0					14	14
	ACRES	174					1,251	1,425
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						6	6
Southern California	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					21	82	103
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1	1			3	5
	ACRES		153	129			46	328
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						156	156
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Eastern Area	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					222		222
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						760	760
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	0	4	21	28
	ACRES	174	153	129	0	243	2,301	3,000

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					50		50
Northwest	FIRES	19	54	17	3		266	359
	ACRES	5,223	8,260	4,783	98		25,491	43,855
Northern California	FIRES		3	6	8		179	196
	ACRES		175	19,986	14		10,422	30,597
Southern California	FIRES		4	1	2	3	89	99
	ACRES		180	400	131	38	9,177	9,926
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	13	66	7	37	151	276
	ACRES	438	1,409	17,542	461	1,543	18,428	39,821
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	19	6	2	14	44	88
	ACRES	162	1,691	802	27	1,447	12,301	16,430
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	3			1	12
	ACRES		979	1,410			16	2,405
Southwest	FIRES	41	48	10	9		158	266
	ACRES	4,535	9,708	2,824	1,080		30,281	48,428
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	34	39	86	11	26	102	298
	ACRES	3,680	6,659	21,455	3,609	3,238	31,023	69,664
Eastern Area	FIRES	41		280	29	1,000	133	1,483
	ACRES	15,716		44,922	4,088	75,007	34,431	174,164
Southern Area	FIRES	20		157	50	206	857	1,290
	ACRES	18,108		54,183	39,990	98,185	866,427	1,076,893
TOTAL	FIRES	160	188	632	121	1,287	1,980	4,368
	ACRES	47,862	29,061	168,307	49,498	179,508	1,037,997	1,512,233

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WFU Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						81	81
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				1			1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				2		1	3
	ACRES				0		560	560
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		0				0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				2		1	3
	ACRES				1,277		3,481	4,758
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	5	0	4	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	1,278	0	4,122	5,400

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Canada Fires and Hectares:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR to DATE	HECTARES YEAR to DATE
British Columbia	2	16	153	639
Yukon Territory	0	0	5	3
Alberta	14	5	223	706
Northwest Territory	0	0	0	0
Saskatchewan	6	0	87	1,052
Manitoba	0	0	72	4,325
Ontario	5	0	281	32,317
Quebec	5	2	211	2,053
Newfoundland	2	200	11	202
New Brunswick	1	0	181	396
Nova Scotia	0	0	268	546
Prince Edward Island	0	0	6	18
National Parks	1	8	8	37
Total	36	231	1,506	42,294

Resources Status: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	3							
Northwest	3		19	2		1	19	
Northern California	2							
Southern California			1					
Northern Rockies								
Eastern Great Basin			5				8	
Western Great Basin	1							
Southwest	18	5	6	13	5	1	109	95
Rocky Mountain	1		10				25	6
Eastern Area	12	4	2	34	11	2	153	50
Southern Area	16	12	70	170	6	24	600	418
Total	56	21	113	219	22	28	914	569

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